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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, ex rel.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. PUC000035

Ex Parte: In the matter of third-party testing of Operation Support Systems for Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc.

Project Leader Ruling For Notice of KPMG's Draft Report and Scheduling Workshops

March 4, 2002

On February 17, 2000, the Commission established this proceeding to conduct third-party testing of the operation support systems ("OSS") for Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc., now Verizon-Virginia, Inc. ("Verizon"). Pursuant to the Commission's directives, KPMG Consulting, Inc. ("KPMG") was hired to conduct the third-party test in accordance with a Master Test Plan adopted by the Commission's Project Leader.

Today, March 4, 2002, KPMG released a draft of its final report on its third-party test of Verizon's OSS. This draft report can be accessed on the Commission's website at www.state.va.us/scc/division/puc/osskpmgreport.htm. Interested parties may request an electronic copy from the Commission's Project Leader or directly from KPMG. A paper copy of the draft report will be provided only upon the showing of good cause.

In addition, workshops are hereby scheduled to begin on March 18, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Second Floor Courtroom. The workshops will provide interested parties with the opportunity to question KPMG on the record regarding the OSS test and their draft report. The workshops will be divided into domains, with Order Management and Relationship Management, and Infrastructure domains scheduled for Monday, March 18; Billing and Provisioning domains scheduled for Tuesday, March 19; and Maintenance and Repair, and Metrics domains scheduled for Wednesday, March 20.

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